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SENATE BILL 1393

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-1325, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA STATE SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 15-1325, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-1325. Superintendent and other personnel: appointment;
5 compensation: term of employment: qualifications:
6 nonretention notice

7 A. ~~There shall be a superintendent of the schools who shall be the executive officer. The superintendent shall be appointed by the board of directors, and~~ THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DESIGNATE THE MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND SUPERVISORY POSITIONS FOR THE SCHOOLS. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL APPOINT A SUPERINTENDENT OF EACH SCHOOL. THE BOARD MAY APPOINT THE SAME PERSON TO BE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MORE THAN ONE SCHOOL.
8 The board shall issue one, two or three year contracts for the superintendent. The superintendent is eligible to receive compensation pursuant to section 38-611. ~~The board of directors shall designate the management and supervisory positions.~~ The superintendent, with the approval of and acting on behalf of the board, shall issue one, two or three year contracts for the management and supervisory positions designated by the board pursuant to this section. Compensation for persons issued contracts pursuant to this section shall be paid according to a range of compensation approved by the board of directors.

9 B. ~~The superintendent and the management and supervisory staff, except for the persons contracted for personnel service and business and finance service shall be persons who are competent educators of the deaf or the blind, or the multiply disabled and sensory impaired, and who are acquainted with school management and class instruction of the deaf or the blind, or the multiply disabled and sensory impaired. A person is eligible to be the superintendent, or hold a position on the management or supervisory staff except for a person contracted for personnel service and business and finance service if the person has had actual experience as a teacher of the deaf or the blind or the multiply disabled and sensory impaired.~~

10 C. ~~On or before April 15 preceding~~ BEFORE the expiration of the superintendent's employment contract, the board shall give written notice to the superintendent of the board's intention to offer or not to offer a new employment contract. ~~On or before April 15 preceding~~ BEFORE the expiration of the contract of a person contracted by the superintendent, acting on behalf of the board of directors pursuant to this section, the superintendent shall give written notice to the person of the board's intention to offer or not to offer the person a new employment contract. If the board decides to offer the superintendent a new employment contract, the board shall offer the

1 new employment contract ~~on or before May 15 preceding~~ BEFORE the expiration
2 of the superintendent's current employment contract. If the board decides to
3 offer a new employment contract to a person contracted pursuant to this
4 section, the superintendent, acting on behalf of the board, shall offer the
5 new employment contract ~~on or before May 15 preceding~~ BEFORE the expiration
6 of the current employment contract. The person offered a contract pursuant
7 to this subsection shall accept the contract by signing and returning it to
8 the board of directors within thirty days or the offer is deemed refused. If
9 the person adds written terms or conditions to the employment contract
10 offered, the person fails to accept the employment contract.

11 ~~E.~~ D. Notice of the board of directors' intention not to reemploy the
12 superintendent or a person contracted pursuant to this section shall be
13 delivered to the superintendent or the person contracted by one of the
14 following:

- 15 1. The superintendent, in person, acting on behalf of the board.
16 2. Certified mail, ~~postmarked on or before the deadline prescribed in~~
17 ~~subsection D of this section and~~ directed to the place of residence as
18 recorded in the agency's records.